# **FORCEnet**The Catalyst for Transforming the US Navy



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#### Introduction

- "The current set of human resources policies and practices will not meet the needs of the 21st century if left unchanged."
  - DSB Task Force on Human Resources Strategy, February 2000

# The objective of this brief will be to focus on the human centric portion of today's warfighting capability

- Discuss warrior needs for FORCEnet
- Discuss the 21st century warrior

Holistic human resources strategy needed

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# FORCEnet Background

- 3 Strategic Studies Groups developed FORCEnet concept – SSG 18, 19, 20 – (21 in progress)
- CNO endorsed SSG-XX recommendations/roadmaps
- Formed Requirements FORCEnet Senior Leadership Team in N60/70 and ASN/RD&A
- Project EXCEL
- Formed N70X (FORCEnet) FN Study Director
- Executive review of Naval training ERNT
- Director/Deputy Director FORCEnet established

FORCEnet is the catalyst for transformation

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#### FORCEnet's Transformation Role

- Navy has embarked on a strategic direction to deliver revolutionary combat capabilities through FORCEnet
  - Navy's transformation enabler accelerator alignment agent
- FORCEnet roles and deliverables
  - Fully netted human-centric combat force
  - Sensors-networks-warfighter-weapons-decision aids
  - Leverage power of shared information and knowledge across the Maritime Maneuver Warfare Battlespace -> Space-to-Seabed & Sea-to-Shore
  - Enable battlespace dominance through comprehensive knowledge, focused execution, and coordinated sustainment shared across fully netted maritime, joint and combined forces
  - Define set of standing force modules with explicit capabilities, response times, readiness standards, and system of verification
  - Enable requirements alignment for legacy C2 Systems interoperability -> To achieve shared situational knowledge

Transformation is here to stay!

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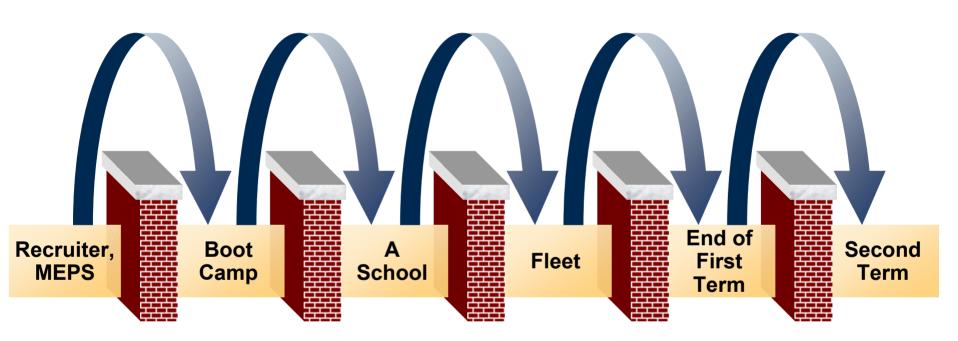
#### FORCEnet Warrior

- The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Warrior is all uniformed Active and Reserve naval personnel, who use sensors, networks, decision aids, weapons, and supporting systems as part of FORCEnet to accomplish the Navy's core missions
- These Warriors operate in a highly adaptive, human centric, widely distributed environment
- The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Warrior will exploit existing and emerging technologies individually and through local and distributed teams to achieve dominance across the entire mission landscape with joint, allied and coalition partners

FORCEnet committed to the human component

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# **Current Problems Stovepiped**



Human Resources as well as hardware and technology must be transformational

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# Climbing the Wall to Inefficiency

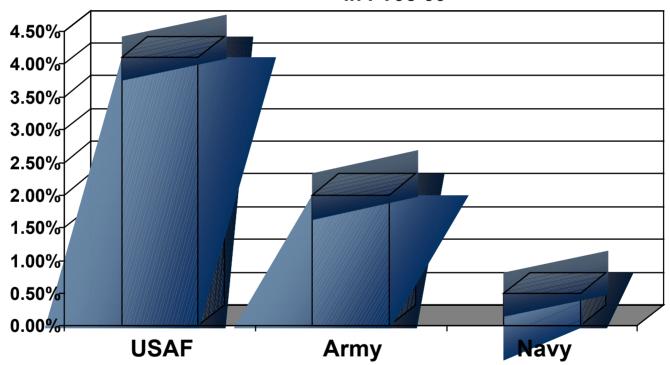
 The result is a Sailor that is optimized at each step in the chain and is then thrown over the wall to the next organization

In commercial industry this process is referred to as a suicidal manufacturing model

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#### In-Service Education Horse Race





The present education strategy provides educated ex-Sailors to private industry

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#### **Need For Education**



Goal: Provide educated sailors to the Fleet

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# Transformational Education Roadmap

2002-2004 Expand CASH program to 450 billets

Phase out Navy College Fund

Pilot AA Degree Scholarship Program

Pilot/start academic tours

2004-2006 Terminate Navy College Fund

Start education pay

Institute education advancement incentives

Recruit 10% of force thru AA scholarship programs

2006-2008 Recruit 20% of force thru AA scholarship programs

Associate degree requirement for E-7

2008+ Recruit 40% of force thru AA scholarship programs

Baccalaureate degree after advancement to E-7

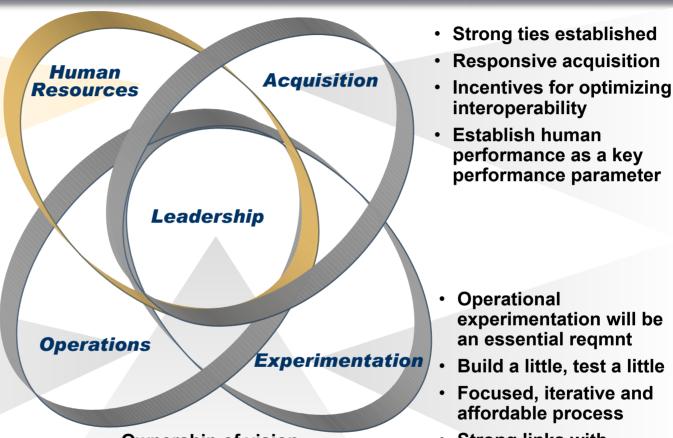
Goal: Remove stovepipes

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## Assumptions to Overcome Barriers

- Transform the Navy's organization
- Establish education as a **Navy mission**

- Fleet input and buy-in
- See incremental victories and payoffs of FORCEnet



Responsive acquisition

performance as a key performance parameter

interoperability

- **Operational** experimentation will be an essential regmnt
- Build a little, test a little
- · Focused, iterative and affordable process
- Strong links with operators and developers

- Ownership of vision
- Credibility of warfighter
- Funding authority
- Sense of urgency

# The FORCEnet Challenge

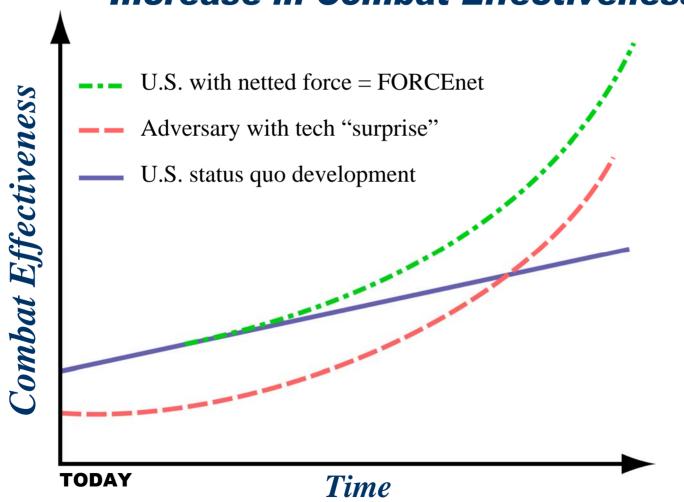
- Establish and fully resource a human resources leader to align personnel management with learning development
- Fund today and begin to move down the path to implement Knowledge Management and Enterprise Information Technology initiatives
- Adapt a Capability-Centric Design and Development process to make best possible use of the Navy's valuable human capital
- Implement education as a mission
- Advocate selected DoD-wide changes that will allow the Navy to compete successfully for people in today's world

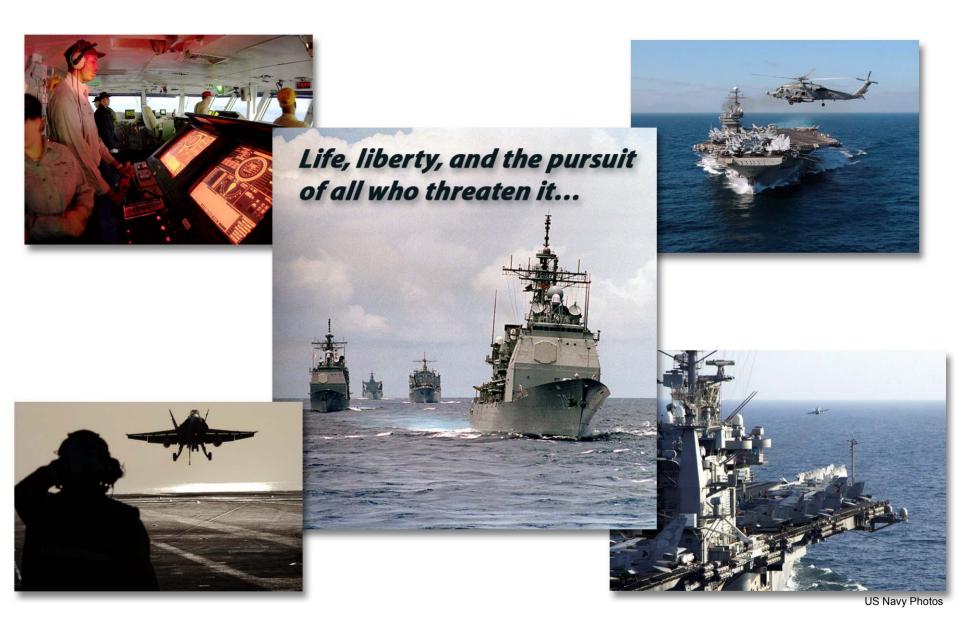
Educating the Navy's warrior is an investment in their future and the future of the United States

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#### FORCEnet Value







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